

Senate concurred in the amendments of the House to Senate amendments numbered 6, 9, 11, 20, 21, 23, 29, 30, 38, 39, 44, 50, 56, 57, 58, 61, 78, 79, 92, 100, 103, 111, 114, 118, 121, 122, 123, 127, 128, and 138.

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By 43 yeas to 44 nays (Vote No. 353), Senate failed to table the amendment of the House to Senate amendment numbered 134.

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By 32 yeas to 57 nays (Vote No. 354), Senate rejected a motion to concur in the amendment of the House to Senate amendment No. 134, with Hollings Amendment No. 1323, to provide that none of the funds provided in the Act may be made available to the National Endowment for Democracy.

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Senate subsequently concurred in the amendment of the House to Senate amendment No. 134.

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Consolidated Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1985: Pursuant to agreement of Thursday, December 5, Senate disagreed to the amendment of the House to the Senate amendment to H.R. 3128, to provide for reconciliation pursuant to section 2 of the first concurrent resolution on the budget for fiscal year 1985 (S. Con. Res. 32, 99th Congress), agreed to a request for a conference thereon, and appointed as conferees Senators Domenici, Armstrong, Kassebaum, Boschwitz, Symms, Hollings, Johnston, Sasser, and Metzenbaum as general conferees from the Committee on the Budget; Senators Helms, Dole, Lugar, Cochran, Zorinsky, Leahy, and Melcher from the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry; Senators Goldwater and Nunn from the Committee on Armed Services; Senators Garn, Heinz, Hecht, Proxmire, and Riegle from the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs; Senators Danforth, Packwood, Goldwater, Pressler, Gorton, Stevens, Hollings, Long, Inouye, Ford, and Riegle from the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation; Senators Stafford, Chafee, Simpson, Symms, Bentsen, Burdick, and Lautenberg from the Committee on Environment and Public Works; Senators Packwood, Roth, Danforth, Chafee, Long, Bentsen, and Matsunaga as general conferees from the Committee on Finance; Senators Packwood, Chafee, Heinz, Mitchell, and Moynihan from the Committee on Finance for PBGC and ERISA subconference only; Senators Durenberger and Baucus from the Committee on Finance for CHAMPUS Medicare subconference only; Senators Heinz, Wallop, Durenberger, Baucus, and Pryor from the Committee on Finance for Private Health Insurance Coverage subconference only; Senators Roth, Stevens, Mathias, Cohen, Eagleton, Levin, and Gore from the Committee on Governmental Affairs; Senators Hatch, Stafford,

Quayle, Kennedy, and Pell as general conferees from the Committee on Labor and Human Resources; Senators Hatch, Nickles, Thurmond, Kennedy, and Metzenbaum from the Committee on Labor and Human Resources for PBGC and ERISA subconference only; Senators Weicker, Gorton, and Bumpers from the Committee on Small Business; Senators Murkowski, Simpson, and Cranston from the Committee on Veterans' Affairs; Senators McClure, Domenici, Wallop, Johnston, and Ford as general conferees from the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources; Senators McClure, Hatfield, Domenici, Johnston, and Ford from the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources for title VI, section 6701 only; and Senators Danforth, Packwood, Goldwater, Hollings, and Long from the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation for title VI, section 6701 only.

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Message From the President: Senate received the following message from the President of the United States:

Transmitting the eighth annual report on Federal Energy Conservation Programs undertaken during fiscal year 1984; which was referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources. (PM-98)

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Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Margaret M. O'Shaughnessy Heckler, of Massachusetts, to be Ambassador to Ireland.

1 Air Force nomination in the rank of general.

2 Navy nominations in the rank of admiral.

Routine lists of Air Force, Army, Navy, and Coast Guard nominations.

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Nomination Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nomination:

Gregory J. Newell, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to Sweden.

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Record Votes: Three record votes were taken today. (Total—355)

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Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:30 a.m., and adjourned at 6:34 p.m., until 10:30 a.m., on Monday,

December 9, 1985. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of Senator Dole in today's Record on page S17128.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

DOD/ORGANIZATION AND DECISION-MAKING

Committee on Armed Services: Committee continued hearings on the organization and decision-making procedures of the Department of Defense and Congress, receiving testimony from William H. Taft IV, Deputy Secretary of Defense; John O. Marsh, Jr., Secretary of the Army; John Lehman, Secretary of the Navy, and Edward C. Aldridge, Jr., Under Secretary of the Air Force.

Hearings continue on Tuesday, December 10.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Committee concluded hearings on the nominations of John C. Layton, of Virginia, to be Inspector General, Department of Energy, and David M.L. Lindahl, of Virginia, to be Director of the Office of Alcohol Fuels, Department of Energy, after the nominees, who were introduced by Senator Warner, testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

MEDICARE

Committee on Finance: Subcommittee on Health concluded hearings to review possible reforms in the Federal supplementary medical insurance program (Medicare Part B) payments for physicians' services, after receiving testimony from Henry Desmarais, Acting Deputy Administrator, Health Care Financing Administration, Department of Health and Human Services; Vita Ostrander, American Association of Retired Persons, and N. Thomas Connally, on behalf of the American Society of Internal Medicine, both of Washington, D.C.; Janet B. Mitchell, Center for Health Economics Research, Chestnut Hill, Massachusetts; Richard H. Egdahl, Boston University, Boston, Massachusetts; William B. Stason, Harvard School of Public Health, Cambridge, Massachusetts; Stanley S. Wallack, Brandeis University, Waltham, Massachusetts; Kevin M. Fickenscher, University of North Dakota School of Medicine, Grand Forks, on behalf of the National Rural Health Care Association; James E. Davis, Durham, North Carolina, on behalf of the American Medical Association; David C. Utz, Mayo Clinic and Mayo Medical School, Rochester, Minnesota, on behalf of the American College of Surgeons; Edith Irby Jones, Houston, Texas, on behalf of the National Medical Association; and Bernard R. Tresnowski, Chicago, Illinois, on behalf of the Blue Cross and Blue Shield Association.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 6 public bills, H.R. 3872-3877; and 3 resolutions, H.J. Res. 333, H. Con. Res. 242 and 243 were introduced.

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Bills Reported: Reports were filed as follows:

H. Res. 333, providing for the consideration of S.J. Res. 238, relating to the approval and implementation of the proposed agreement for nuclear cooperation between the United States and the People's Republic of China (H. Rept. 99-421);

H.R. 3550, Rules Enabling Act of 1985, amended (H. Rept. 99-422);

H.R. 3570, Judicial Improvements Act of 1985, amended (H. Rept. 99-423);

H.R. 2976, to direct the Secretary of Agriculture to release the condition requiring that a parcel of land conveyed to New York State be used for public purposes and to convey United States mineral interests in the parcel to New York State, amended (H. Rept. 99-424); and

H.R. 3792, Farm Credit Amendments of 1985, amended (H. Rept. 99-425).

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Journal: By a ye-a-and-nay vote of 251 yeas to 118 nays, Roll No. 435, the House approved the Journal of Thursday, December 5.

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Late Report: Committee on Agriculture received permission to have until midnight tonight to file a report on H.R. 3792, Farm Credit Act Amendments of 1985.

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Goodloe E. Byron Memorial: House passed H.R. 3735, to designate the pedestrian walkway crossing the Potomac River at Harpers Ferry National Historic Park as the "Goodloe E. Byron Memorial Pedestrian Walkway."

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Agree to the committee amendment.

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Agreed to amend the title.

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